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**ANDHRA PRADESH ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION
KURNOOL**

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[Regulation No. 1 of 2025]

Third Amendment to the Andhra Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission (Licensees' Duty for Supply of Electricity on Request and Recovery of Expenses for Providing Electric Line or Electrical Plant) Regulation, 2013 (Regulation No.4 of 2013)

The Commission, in exercise of the powers conferred on it under sub-section (zp) of Section 181(2) read with Sections 43 & 45 of the Electricity Act, 2003 (36 of 2003) and all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby amends the Principal Regulation as follows.

1. Short title, Extent, and Commencement

- i. This Regulation shall be called the Third Amendment to the Andhra Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission (Licensees' Duty for Supply of Electricity on Request and Recovery of Expenses for Providing Electric Line or Electrical Plant) Regulation, 2013 (Regulation No. 4 of 2013)
- ii. This Regulation shall extend to the whole of the State of Andhra Pradesh.
- iii. This Regulation shall come into force on the date of its publication in the Andhra Pradesh Gazette.

2. Clause 7(2) shall be substituted with the following:

“(2) It shall be the duty of every Distribution Licensee to provide an electric meter for giving an electric supply to a consumer. The Distribution Licensee shall install smart meters, including the display unit, conforming to the technical requirement as prescribed in the CEA (Installation and Operation of Meters) Regulations, 2006 and its subsequent amendments. The smart meter shall have both ways of communication and shall be compatible with AMI and AMR applications. The smart meter shall have a built-in security mechanism to guard against any attempt to steal the codes. The Distribution Licensee or the Consumer can bear the meter and allied equipment cost. If the Distribution Licensee bears such cost, it may collect meter cost as rent approved by the Commission under section 45 of the Act. or in Tariff Orders. Alternatively, the Distribution Licensee may require the Consumer to bear the full cost of meter and allied equipment, and in such a case, the Distribution Licensee is not entitled to collect meter rent.”

(By Order of the Commission)

Place: Kurnool
Date:24.02.2025

P. KRISHNA
Commission Secretary^(i/c)

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